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## Mason County PSD Approved For Water & Waste Disposal Loan

**Morgantown, WV – April 10, 2006:** State Director Robert M. Steptoe, III, today announced that **Rural Development** approved a Water and Waste Disposal Direct Loan of \$577,550 for Mason County Public Service District, Mason County, WV.

Rural Development funds will be used to upgrade the District's existing wastewater lagoon. The lagoon does not currently meet the discharge limitations as required by the District's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

The capacity of the lagoon will also be increased in order to meet demands of the Lakin Hospital, the West Virginia Women's Prison and the Mason County State Police barracks.

Steptoe remarked, "This project will benefit the District's 183 current customers, improving their quality of life."

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